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SUBJECT: SUICIDES IN FOREIGN MINISTRY

- 1. FOREIGN MINISTRY SOURCES TELL US PRIVATEQ THAT THERE HAVE BEEN TWO SUICIDES AMONG SWEDISH DIPLOMATS EARLY THIS WEEK IN STOCKHOLM. FIRST WAS AMBASSADOR PIERRE BOTHEN, NEWLY-DESIGNATED CHIEF OF PROTOCOL. SECOND WAS OLOF LOFBERG, FIRST SECRETARY AT SWEDISH MISSION TO THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES IN BRUSSELS.
- 2. AS OF JANUARY 30 NO WORD OF BOTHEN'S DEATH HAS APPEARED IN SWEDISH PRESS ALTHOUGH IT REPORTEDLY HAPPENED ABOUT JANUARY 26 OR 27. BODY WAS FOUND NEAR KAROLINSKA HOSPITAL AND SPECULATION IS THAT SUICIDE WAS CACER-RELATED. ONE STOCKHOLM NEWSPAPER (DN) JANUARY 29 CARRIED ONE PARAGRAPH STORY THAT UNNAMED SWEDISH DIPLOMAT IN HIS FORTIES (REPORTEDLY LOFBERG) FELL OR JUMPED FROM SIXTH FLOOR OF DOWNTOWN HOTEL NIGHT OF JANUARY 28.
- 3. ACTING CHIEFOF PROTOCOL IS BENGT BORGLUND. STRAUSZ-HUPE

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